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TO: Howard County Employees

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SUBJECT: COVID Travel Restrictions

DATE: December 22, 2020

This communication was sent via global email to all Howard County employees on Tuesday, December 22, 2020 at 1:08 p.m.

Dear Colleagues:

The Governor has authorized and directed the Secretary of Health to issue orders requiring persons traveling to Maryland to quarantine and/or undergo testing for COVID-19. The Secretary of Health issued an order requiring that persons who travel outside of Maryland and individuals who travel to Maryland, shall get a COVID-19 test upon arrival in Maryland or within 72 hours before travel to Maryland and self-quarantine or self-isolate upon arrival in Maryland. Travel to the District of Columbia, Virginia, Pennsylvania, Delaware and West Virginia is exempt from this travel requirement.

Employees who travel outside of Maryland other than to the exempted areas, must follow the testing and quarantine/isolation guidelines before returning to a County worksite. The Governor's order can be found on the Governor's website here.

Employees must be aware of these testing and quarantining restrictions before planning any travel out of state and understand the impact of any travel on your ability to return to the work place. Please Stay COVID Safe over this holiday season and limit any unnecessary travel.

If you have any questions regarding these travel and testing orders, please feel free to contact John Peterson at (410) 313-4439.

Happy Holidays and best wishes for the upcoming New Year!

